



PATENT APPLICATION

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Attorney Docket No.: 128375

CUSTOMER NUMBER 25944

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

In re the Application of

Yasufumi NISHII et al.

Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 10/582,268

Examiner: M. LIU

Filed: June 9, 2006

For: STAGE APPARATUS, EXPOSURE APPARATUS, AND EXPOSURE METHOD WITH RECOVERY DEVICE HAVING LYOPHILIC PORTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
 Small entity status of this application has been established.

Any additional claim fees have been calculated as shown below:

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)	SMALL ENTITY	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADD'L FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	*23 MINUS	**20	=3	x 26	\$
INDEP CLAIMS	*2 MINUS	***3	=0	x 110	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ 195	\$
					\$

OR

RATE	ADD'L FEE
x 52	\$ 156.00
x 220	\$
+ 390	\$

OR

RATE	ADD'L FEE
	\$ 156.00

- * If the entry in Column 1 is less than the entry in Column 2, write "0" in Column 3.
- ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
- *** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" in this space (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Column 1 of a prior Amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

Check No. 226823 in the amount of \$156 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461.

Respectfully submitted,

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